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TELEGRAPHIC.

MINING HORROR AT FERNIE.

Winnipeg, May 23.
Ferne, B. C., May 22.—A terrible explosion occurred at 7 o'clock this evening in No. 2 mine, which is connected with No. 3 shaft and also with the high line shaft. All three openings are now closed. One hundred and fifty men were estimated at work, 16 of whom escaped from No. 3 before the cave in. One boy has since died. The remainder are prisoners and small hopes are entertained for their safety. Good order prevails and everything possible is being done to relieve the situation. The fan was disabled, but was quickly restored. No. 3 is expected to be opened soon.

The following telegram was received, at the office of the Bulletin, on Friday day evening and speaks for itself. The editorial boards here have kindly consented to receive subscriptions for this valuable object. Lists are now open at the Imperial, Union and Merchants Banks, to which the attention of the public is urgently directed.

Ferne, B. C., May 23.—The Fernie board of trade would urgently call the attention of all people that a great calamity has overtaken the town as a mine explosion. One hundred and fifty men have been killed and much destruction prevails. Kindly collect subscriptions and for ward same to the Bank of Commerce relief fund, Fernie.

BRITISH AMBASSADOR DEAD.

Winnipeg, May 25.
Lord Pauncefoot, British ambassador to Washington, is dead.

HAULTAIN'S MAJORITY.

Premier Haultain's majority was 534.

KILLED.

Fifty-one bodies have been recovered from the Fernie mines. Seven were Nova Scotians. It is feared that 150 men lost their lives in the terrible explosion. Scenes are heart-rending.

LACROSSE.

Winnipeg's defeated Shamrocks at lacrosse, 7 to 3.

THE FLOODS.

Destructive floods have visited Macleod district. Many bridges were swept away and stock on the ranges killed.

GENERAL.

Antonio Degidio, who is serving a life sentence in Stony Mountain for assisting in the death of an Italian near Grenfell, N. W. T., has been pardoned.

Ol. Danigon, Toronto, discussed trade relations within the empire before the Liverpool chamber of commerce.

King of Barotselund, (Northwestern Rhodesia) has reached London to attend the coronation.

An action for \$25,000 damages has been taken by the Pacific Co., against the Telegram.

An independent journal in Ottawa predicts Premier Ross' government will be ousted.

Winnipeg, Fargo and Grand Forks were winners in the Northern Baseball League.

C. E. L. stock reached 138 3/8 on the New York exchange Saturday.

Alonso Springstein, a pioneer Portage Plains farmer, is dead.

Henry O won the free-for-all trot at Braddon.

Chile and Argentina have signed peace protocol.

STRATHCONA.

The polling divisions of Tofteld, Logans, Vegreville, Beaver Lake and Ross Creek gave an aggregate of 64 votes for Rutherford and 2 for Mills. The total to date stands 567 for Rutherford and 67 for Mills, or an even margin of 500 for Rutherford and two places still to hear from.

VADER MYSTERY CLEARED UP.

Dr. Brathwaite returned to town this morning, having held the inquest on the body found some distance from Star. There was no difficulty in identifying the body as that of Vader, by the clothes, the watch and diamond ring and some letters all of which were on his person. The jury returned a verdict of accidental death.

Mr. Cook, of the Vermilion, came in at noon bringing the body.

EDMONTON WINS AGAIN.

The returns of homestead entries made, during the month of April, at the different offices mentioned below, are to hand. Edmonton, which tops the list, shows an increase of thirty per cent over last month, in spite of the fact that it then headed the list by a big margin;

	1902	1901
Edmonton,	321	198
Calgary,	250	116
Lethbridge,	136	76
Yorkton,	136	42
Brandon,	77	26
Dauphin,	67	25
Minnedosa,	54	23
Battleford,	44	1
Kamloops,	8	4
New Westminster,	1	2

LOCAL.

—V. Gouverneur, who has been in the telegraph office at Star, returned to town on Friday.

—The crew with the Galicians, who left here on Friday, passed the Vermilion on Saturday, all well.

—J. Ross, of Cochrane is building a barn 35x65 on Fraser avenue and will occupy it as a livery and sale stable.

—John McLean Peacock came in last evening from Star after being four days on the trail, which is now almost impassable.

—J. W. Larondeau, who has recently secured a license for a wholesale liquor store, is making arrangements to open in the near future.

—In the supreme court the case of the King vs. Harrison, for setting out poison, was disposed of to-day. The jury bringing in a verdict of "not guilty."

—Owing to the bad state of the roads, the sale of effects of George Pratt, has been postponed till to-morrow, Tuesday, at 7:30 p. m., at Robertson's Hall.

—A train left Strathcona on time this morning though it is difficult to state how far it will be able to proceed, as the train which should leave Calgary is again cancelled.

—The river is falling steadily and is already about five feet below the high water mark. It is estimated that about seven thousand logs drifted past the booms. The loss is between the two mills.

—The Northwest Mounted Police veterans will hold a meeting on Wednesday night, in the office of Forbes & Royal, at 8 p. m. A full attendance is requested. Important business in hand.

—The two reserved ballots cast by John Killen and Henry Gilbert, who were challenged on the residence clause and took the oath, were considered on Friday before Magistrate Owan and deputy returning officer Young. The decision was that the votes were good, and will therefore be counted by the returning officer.

—Messrs. Bishopric and Grieson are preparing to build a large stable, on the site of the old McCauley barn on McDougall street. The dimensions are 132x50. It is the intention to make this the best equipped stable in town. It will be occupied by Tom Griffith, who will run a general feed and sale barn, and will take possession on the 1st July. J. N. Pomeroy has the contract, his men commenced work to-day.

—F. W. Fane, returning officer at Beaver lake, arrived in town yesterday, bringing in the ballot boxes. Mr. Fane was obliged to ride around Beaver lake on horseback, owing to the high stage of water. The roads or what is left of them, are in a dreadful state, all bridges over creeks are damaged or washed away. Very little interest was exhibited over the elections, as evidenced by the votes polled in the district amounting in all to only 70.

—The Northwest Mounted Police, who were at Star in connection with the body of Bap. Rabusaw, and were communicated with as to procuring a jury for the Vader inquest, left Star at 3 p. m., and did not reach the point where the body was until 8 a. m. the next morning, having driven all night. The roads were so bad and the wagon being mired so often, it was found necessary to procure another team and drive four-in-hand. The total distance is said to be twelve miles, still it took about seventeen hours to make the journey.

Cyclone in Manitoba.

A terrific wind storm swept over the Pleasant Mount district, Carberry, Manitoba, on the 21st inst., leaving nothing but wreckage in its track. For a distance of about three miles, a path three hundred feet wide was literally mowed down. The buildings in the line of devastation, fortunately were few, but were demolished. No fatalities are reported. The storm extended to Portage la Prairie with more or less force.

PARTRIDGE HILLS.

Very few of our farmers stayed at home Wednesday, although the weather was anything but fine.

The late rains have prevented the finishing of seeding. Much barley remains to be sown.

The Ladies Aid of the Presbyterian church purpose holding a "Lawn Social" on the school grounds on June 6th. Gates open at 6 p. m. Mr. D. Simmons will be present with his phonograph. Tea will be served on the lawn; games, &c., will be provided for the entertainment of the visitors. Altogether a good time may be expected should the weather prove favorable.

G. J. Bryan, inspector of public schools last Friday and was much impressed with the way the teacher and pupils have beautified the grounds with flowers beds and trees.

BIRTHS.

Spencer.—At Edmonton, on Wednesday, May 21st, the wife of James Spencer, of a daughter.

THE ELECTIONS.

The ballot box from the Athabasca Landing was brought on Saturday evening, by P. Campbell. The result of the polling at that place gives an advantage to Second. There is no official notice of the result at the Two lakes, as the polling book is in the ballot box for that division. Until the disputed votes at the Landing are disposed of it is doubtful if the official count will be made. We give the result as near as possible from the best data obtainable.

	McCauley	Second	Box
East Edmonton,	91	54	3
Centre Edmonton,	130	106	8
West Edmonton,	59	143	4
Spence Grove,	50	9	34
Stony Plain Centre,	53	41	9
Poplar Lake,	31	16	
Horse Hills,	23	9	
Lamoureux,	18	21	
New Lannon,	7	23	1
Creston,	5	1	
Sturgeon,	13	23	
Legal,	8	19	
White Whale lake,	6	11	
Hamel,	8	17	
Athabasca Landing,	8	32	7
Total,	510	525	59

Majority for Second 15, less 7 reported majority for McCauley at Two lakes leaving a lead of 8 for Second and 4 votes objected to still undecided.

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400 bushels potatoes.
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On Saturday somewhere on Main street, Ladies gold ring. Finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving the same at this office. 60-61p.

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Owing to Mrs. Pratt's health and advice of medical attendant, it has been necessary for Mr. Pratt to return to his former home in the East.

We ask the public to turn out in full force at this sale.

W. S. ROBERTSON,
Auctioneer.

Postponed!

Owing to the bad state of the weather this sale is postponed till to-morrow (Tuesday) evening, at 7.30.

TOWN OF EDMONTON



NOTICE.

Public notice is hereby given that all annual licenses (excepting liquor licenses) of the Municipality expire on the 31st day of May in each year and all renewals should be effected by that date. Dog taxes are also due and payable before the 31st day of May, in each year. On and after the 1st day of June the Dog Tax is doubled. License fees and Dog Taxes are payable to the undersigned.

By order,
GEO. J. KINNAIRD,
Secretary-Treasurer.

57-61.

TENDERS WANTED.

Tenders for the construction of sidewalks as stated below will be received by the undersigned up to 8 p. m. on Wednesday, the 28th inst. A six foot sidewalk on south side Jasper Avenue between Third and Fourth Streets, H. B. R.; a six foot sidewalk on south side Jasper Avenue, east from end of present sidewalk to end of avenue a six foot sidewalk on east of Second Street, H. B. R., between Jasper and Athabasca Avenue. Particulars will be supplied on application.

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Secretary-Treasurer.

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Question to be Faced.

Under the caption "The Americans in Western Canada," the New York Sun, contains an article which will be read with deep interest by the people of Manitoba and the Northwest. At the farming land in the United States except the reservations have been taken up, but there remains in the Dominion of Canada, between the Great Lakes and the Pacific Coast, a district as large as Germany, Austria and France, for the most part untouched by the plow and the axe. It contains a vast area of arable land and pasture, magnificent forests, and undeveloped tracts of great mineral wealth, which includes gold, silver, copper, iron and coal. It could support a population of 50,000,000. There is no finer grain country on the North American continent than Manitoba and Assiniboia. The Canadian government has been unable to convince European emigrants that the Northwest was a land of promise. Its vastness, its loneliness and severe winter climate repelled them. If it depended on the European peasant farmer for settlement it would remain a country of splendid distances. But the men of Wisconsin, Minnesota, the Dakotas, Iowa, and Nebraska understood the great possibilities of the great prairie and forest country of the Northwest, and although it is alien territory, they are crossing the boundary by thousands with their farm equipment and house utensils to possess themselves of land. The spring migration already has reached the total of 10,000. It is estimated that before the twentieth year of the century 2,000,000 Americans will have settled in the Canadian Northwest. The flag that flies over them will be a British flag, but will they become citizens of Canada? If the proposer will be permanent residents, and when crops are good—and they are good almost every year in the Canadian West—how can these sturdy farmers fail to prosper?

Without doubt the American invader will be reluctant to take out papers. He is loyal to his institutions, regarding them as the best on earth, and his pride in the pre-eminence of the United States is robust and aggressive. The Dominion government has failed to develop the Northwest with European brawn, and the Yankee will do the work. His will be the rule, and he will be slow to claim it. What then is to be the political future of Western Canada? It is the opinion of Mr. J. H. Hinckley, the greatest landowner in that part of the world, that most of the American settlers will never become British citizens. A feeling of coolness then, is likely to grow up between the rulers of the region (native Canadians and British subjects) and the outlander. A British subject admits that the loyalists will be swamped by the incoming tide of Americans. On the part of the legislature it will require tact to prevent infringements of the outlanders' rights, and on their part the arrogance of numbers may cause dissension. Fortunately the Canadian government is generous to its settlers, and self-interest would impel it to see that the amenities were preserved between native and alien. The Americans will preach annexation from the moment they raise a log-house and dig a well. They have been brought up to believe it is the destiny of Canada to share the fortunes of the United States, and it will be useless for their Canadian neighbors to urge them to change their allegiance. No doubt the Dominion government, under pressure from the federalists, will make a supreme effort to stem the American tide by pouring in a flood of British settlers and natives from the eastern provinces, but it is hardly fair. Before long the Canadian authorities will have an outlander question on their hands.

Egypt Called British by Salisbury.

London, May 12.—Lord Salisbury, prominent reference to Egypt in his Albert Hall speech has more than ordinary significance. It was the first public occasion when a responsible British statesman used language equivalent to a declaration that Egypt has become a part of the dominions of the Crown.

So far as British claims affect the case, there is an end of the friction of temporary occupation, which had existed for nearly twenty years. It is understood that the Premier's emphatic pronouncement was intended to put an end to efforts and reports designed to embarrass Lord Cromer, the British representative in Egypt.

For a year or so the Egyptian capital has been the headquarters of an anti-British movement deriving its support about equally from Constantinople and native circles in Paris. The original plan of the leaders was to work upon the vanity and ambition of Abbas Pasha and induce him to appeal to the powers against England.

This failed, and the failure is believed to have been due largely to the sensible advice given the khedive by his mother, who pointed out that the possession of Egypt was vital to Britain's desire, and that any issue over this question would be settled at sea.

Having failed in that part of the scheme, its promoters devoted itself to sowing seeds of discontent among the peasants. They carried pamphlets showing the nature and scope of the works now in construction for the irrigation of the huge sand tracts along the Nile and appealed to the peasantry not to allow the British to get possession of the arable land.

The question was quickly disseminated, its opponents going from house to house, and considerable feeling was

aroused among the native Egyptians.

Despatches of a sensational character were forwarded to anti-British journals throughout Europe; and the press was sought to be made that impression was sought to be made that the help of France.

Undertakings of this sort, while they could have no serious result, tend to revive the discussion of settled issues, and the British government decided to close the controversy with a sweeping declaration of sovereignty over Egypt.

Wholesale Death in a Coal Mine

Coal Creek, Tenn., May 19.—The worst disaster in the history of Tennessee mining occurred at 7:30 o'clock morning when between 175 and 225 men and boys met instant death at Fraterville coal mine, two miles west of this town, a result of a gas explosion. Out of the large number of men and boys who went to work this morning developments at 10 o'clock to-night show that only one man is alive and he is so badly injured that he cannot live. His name is Wm. Morgan, an aged Englishman, who was a shaft man in the mine and was blown out of the entrance by the force of the explosion. He was the only one of the five miners who checked in for work this morning by the mine boss. In addition to these were boys to the number of about seventy who acted as helpers. Fraterville is the oldest mine in the Coal Creek district, having been opened in 1870. It is three miles from the mines to the point where the men were at work. They had not been at work long before the terrible explosion occurred. There was a fearful roar and flames shot from the entrance and the air shafts. News of the disaster spread like wild-fire, and as soon as possible two rescue parties were started in at the mine entrance and the air shafts. The latter were unable to make headway as the air was stifled by the workers. They worked at day long at the state obstruction and not until 5 o'clock this evening did they force an entrance through it. Up to that time only five bodies had been recovered but as soon as the rescuers could enter they worked through a continuous tomb of death. There was not a sign of life. Every man had perished. The mine was not a fire except in the remotest portions and all the bodies may be reached before daylight.

Carnegie in London

Mr. Carnegie paid a visit to the Guildhall on the 14th inst., to receive the freedom of the Plumber's Company, and the presentation was made the occasion of an interesting ceremony in the council chamber. The main feature of the proceedings was Mr. Carnegie's speech. The new workmanly plumber proved in excellent form. What he had to say about the united flag, which flies from all his own flagstaffs, the Union Jack on one side and the Stars and Stripes on the other, was particularly appreciated. He made happy reference also to the inscription on the Guildhall statue of Pitt the Elder, which without ostentation, and died poor. That was a doctrine he heartily agreed with. He objected, however, to be called a philanthropist. As one who might fairly call himself representative of both branches of the Anglo-Saxon race, he dwelt on the deep indebtedness of the new country to the old, and looked forward to the time when relations between them would be even warmer and closer, if that were possible, than at present.

Mr. Carnegie declared that he thought it more difficult to conscientious distribute wealth than to acquire it. "It is the swimming tenth and not the submerged tenth which we can greatly benefit," said Mr. Carnegie. Any satisfaction which he had derived from his life from being a philanthropist, I am engaged in making the best bargains of my life. For instance, when New York had been given over \$1,000,000 for seventy-five libraries, I succeeded in getting a pledge from her that she would furnish sites and maintain these libraries. I hope this may not go across the Atlantic to alarm her. This is not philanthropy. It is a clever stroke of business. I am open to propositions of a similar character in any part of the English speaking world."

Mr. Carnegie gave numerous instances of how through the inventive genius of Great Britain her "giant child America," owes her present position, adding that all the English could ever learn from America could never be compared with what America had received from England.

Dealing with international relations Mr. Carnegie said he desired to say that never in history had the American people and government been so lovingly inclined toward the "old home" as at present, and never had the contrary been so true. The coming force in the world revealed itself so clearly. He concluded with saying that the possibility of the English-speaking people killing each other on the plea of civilized warfare was banished, and that in case of a difference no government on either side of the Atlantic could resist the offer of arbitration, and it can scarcely be believed that a serious quarrel can ever arise when that offer will not be made by one or the other.

After the accolade had been presented to Mr. Carnegie, its key was handed by the chairman to Mr. Carnegie, to hold in conjunction with the key of our own hands.

It was accepted by Mrs. Carnegie, who stood up, considerably embarrassed and was greeted with cheers. When the eulogies of Mr. Carnegie were concluded the Worshipful Company of Plumbers and their guests adjourned to luncheon at which the Lord Mayor, Sir Joseph Dimsdale; Count M. de Maiketta, the former Papal premier and minister of finance; Sir Albert Kaye Rollett, the former president of the London chamber of commerce; several former Lord Mayors of London, the Lord mayors of Leeds and Liverpool, a dozen mayors of various towns, Sir Christopher Furness, the famous shipbuilder; several members of the House of Commons, John R. Cater, second secretary of U. S. embassy, and Mrs. Carter, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Westinghouse, and Mr. and Mrs. P. N. Doubleday were among those present. After luncheon Mr. and Mrs. Carnegie inspected the Guildhall library, museum and art galleries.

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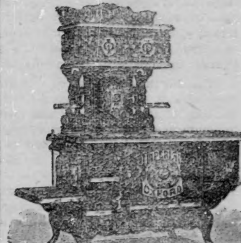
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A Second Pompeii

New York, May 13.—James Taylor, who was one of the officers of the *Boraima*, the Quebec, line steamship which was destroyed in the harbor of St. Pierre, gives a graphic account of the tragedy to the *Herald* from St. Kitts, Island, of St. Christopher, B. W. I.

"We experienced the greatest difficulty in getting into port," he said; "Appalling sounds were issued from the mountains behind the town, which were shrouded in darkness. All the passengers were up and some were trying to obtain photographs."

"Suddenly I heard a tremendous explosion. The deck began to fall thick upon the ash, and I could see a black cloud sweeping down upon us. I dived below, and, dragging with me Samuel Thomas, a gangway man and a fellow countryman, I managed to keep out the heat that was already unbearable."

"The ship rocked, I expected very much that it would sink. Outside I heard someone pleading for the door to be opened. It was Scott, the first officer, and I opened the door and dragged him into the room. He soon became unbearably hot and I went on deck. All about were lying the dead and the dying. Little children were moaning for water. I did what I could for them. I obtained water, but when it was held to their swollen lips they were unable to swallow, because of the ashes which choked their throats. One little chap took water into his mouth, rinsed out the ashes, but even then could not swallow. So badly was his throat burned. He finally became unconscious and a few minutes later was dead."

"All at the ship was afire and from the land came draughts of terrible heat. I went last, when I could stand it no longer. I sprang overboard. The water was almost hot enough to parboil me, but a wave soon swept in from the ocean bringing with it cold water. I was of tidal velocity, and was carried out to sea. Then on the second night of the wave I was washed up against an overturned sloop, to which I clung."

"A few minutes later I was joined by another man, whom I learned was Captain Muggah, of the *Boraima*. He was in dreadful agony and kept begging pitifully to be put on board his ship. Picking up some wreckage and a tool chest, I and five others who joined me, succeeded in forming a rude raft on which we placed the captain. Seeing one upturned boat I asked one of the five men to swim out to it so that he (Muggah) might have an opportunity to live. The man succeeded in getting the boat righted, but instead of returning he picked up two of his countrymen and went away in the direction of Port De France."

"Seeing the *Roddam*, which had arrived in port shortly after we had made for the *Boraima*, I said good-bye to Captain Muggah and swam to the *Roddam*. Finally I could reach her she burst into flames and put out to sea. I finally reached the *Boraima*, about 2:30 o'clock in the afternoon, and later was taken off by the cruiser *Sache*."

London, May 12.—King Edward has commanded the colonial secretary, Mr. Chamberlain, to telegraph to the governor of the Windward Islands, Sir Robert Lewis, his Majesty's deep regret at the calamity which has visited the island of St. Vincent, and his sympathy with the sufferers and the bereaved. (The governor has been instructed to send all the money necessary for their relief.)

Washington, May 12.—The president, after a conference this morning with several members of his cabinet, has ordered the war, navy and treasury departments to co-operate in the adoption of steps for the relief of Martinique sufferers. The state department already is acting through its consuls in that section.

Congress has passed the bill appropriating \$200,000 for the relief of the Martinique sufferers.

Wiesbaden, Province of Hesse-Nassau, Germany, May 12.—Emperor William has telegraphed to President Loubet in French as follows: "Profundly moved by the news of the terrible catastrophe, which has laid overthrown St. Pierre, and which has cost the lives of nearly as many persons as perished at Pompeii, I hasten to offer France my most sincere sympathy. My ambassador will remit to your excellency the sum of 10,000 marks in my behalf as a contribution for the relief of the afflicted."

President Loubet replied: "Am greatly touched by the mark of sympathy which, in this terrible misfortune which has fallen on France, your Majesty has deigned to convey me. I beg you to accept my warm thanks, and also the gratitude of the victims whom you propose to succor."

Rome, May 13.—King Victor Emmanuel has contributed 25,825,000 lire (\$500) to the fund being raised for the relief of the sufferers from the Martinique disaster.

The Hague, May 13.—The government of the Netherlands has ordered the Dutch warship *Eosinigen* Regentes to proceed from the island of the *Caracas*, Dutch West Indies, to the island of Martinique, at full speed, in order to assist the sufferers.

The "Figaro" says: "It is not France alone but humanity as a whole that is plunged in mourning, as such calamities call up the feeling of solidarity of all who think and feel."

Globe Trotter.

Sheep in the Territories.

Condition in the Canadian West that favor the invasion of the golden hoof—English breeds not so suitable as the Merino for life on the plains.

(By J. McCaig.)

The development of the Canadian Northwest from a state of semi-barbarism to a state of active and progressive industrialism, has been significantly rapid. The transformation of the country from the domain of the Indian and the hunter to the realm of the rancher and farmer was a quick process. The cattle business made its way by the long trail within the shadow of the Rockies all the way from the hot suns of Texas to the region of the luxuriant buffalo and bunch grasses north of the international boundary. As the business moved northward, its character likewise changed. The Texas longhorn, valuable chiefly for its hide, which concealed very little flesh beneath, was transformed, or totally supplanted, by the beef of the Saxon. Saxon susceptibility, too, soon made its way to the art of the cowboy, and the cattle business, in its highest phases, passed out of the hands of the indolent Spaniard. The advantages of the Merino breed and climate, for the making of beef, were so great that the growth of the business has been extremely rapid. The rancher in early days found conditions so easy that he was impelled to rapid expansion. The profits, likewise, were high, and it was easy for him to fall into the idea that best was king in the West. In the areas devoted exclusively to ranching, by reason of their arid or semi-arid character, this is still the case. The area of the cattle rancher, however, is being steadily restricted and encroached upon by the cultivator in the irrigable districts. The irrigator, however, is the smallest of the cattlemen's troubles, for the land that is capable of being irrigated is only a small proportion of the whole ranching area. The chief competitor of the cattlemen for western grasses is the sheep man.

Beginnings in sheep have been comparatively recent, but they are subject to very rapid increase, and importations have continued in great numbers. The number of sheep in the Territories now is probably in the neighborhood of three hundred thousand. This number does not seem large compared with the number in the State of Montana, which alone supports six million sheep. But Montana is devoted almost exclusively to sheep, while cattle are of larger interest in the Canadian Northwest. It is significant, too, that the importation within the past year has amounted to about fifty or sixty thousand, or other words, about one-fifth of the total number. From this fact and the well-known fact that the free grazing areas of the United States are almost completely appropriated, it is fair to prophesy that the influx will be very great within the next three or four years.

The class of stuff that has been introduced has been, in the first instance, either Merino or Merino grades. The problem of the rancher at the beginning has been one of numbers, rather than of quality. Sheep from the other provinces in sufficient numbers for this purpose, and they would not answer in any way to the highly cultured English mutton breeds which are bred under the most favorable conditions of food and shelter, could not readily attract the attention of the travelling and exposure borne by the western sheep all the year round. The Merino, on the other hand, is a good rustler under the roughest conditions, and carries little flesh, so can lose little and has a fleece generally impervious to rain and driving storms.

Though every sheep must be a producer of both wool and mutton, breeds differ in their fitness to produce these. The Merino are pre-eminently wool sheep while the English breeds are just as distinctly mutton sheep. By reason of the luxuriant grasses of the Canadian West and the sharper appetites belonging to animals in the upper temperate belt, we are adapted to the production of mutton rather than wool. The Merino is a somewhat scant feeder, while the English sheep is a gross or heavy feeder. Circumstances of another sort tend to make us emphasize meat production as against wool. There is a heavy American duty on Canadian wools, which is practically prohibitive with respect to that convenient market. Just at this point it might be questioned whether the granting of a preferential tariff to British woolen goods is not obviously some what foolish sentiment in view of the naturalness of trying to build up large manufacturing interests on our cheap wool products.

Though the foundation stock of the Canadian ranch has been wool sheep, we have largely abandoned the wool traditions and are turning to the other side of the line and on the breeding side the work of the rancher has been to build up from Merino foundation on the ewe side, flocks of high quality grades, by using males of the English breeds. In this process the rancher has met with some troublesome problems. The successful use of English sires means a deterioration of the flock for ranch purposes in two respects. The first cross gives a fine animal, the second gives an animal likewise of good mutton form, but one that shows considerable falling off in weight, both with respect to wool and carcass, as compared with the English sire. Theoretically this cross should be larger than the half-breed, but the element of the Merino blood has the effect of uniting the animal for range conditions. The lightening of the fleece has led to a resort to somewhat indiscriminate crossing and we find some ranchers after using mutton sires, generally of Shrop or Oxford blood, for a number of years, again resorting to Merino sires, in order to give weight and weight to the carcass. It is questionable whether the advantage from this will counteract the harm, for while the fleece is being improved with respect to weight and quality, the carcass is likewise being unfavorably affected with respect to its mutton properties. It is generally conceded that the bodily structure of the offspring is contributed by the male, and this being so the rotund carcass of the high grade mutton sheep is exchanged for the flat-sided and poorly finished Merino carcass.

Though the wool is cheap in Canada, sheep ranching thus far has been profitable and satisfactory. Except for slight outbreaks of anarax in one or two flocks during the past season, the climate and soil are highly favorable to health. Food is luxuriant and cheap, and the demand for mutton from the British Columbia market has been active and the prices satisfactory. The problem before the rancher is one connected with breeding. The question is

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The Quebec Morning Chronicle gives a clear appreciation of the advantages of the Trans-Canada railway and says:

Not only for the city of Quebec, but also for the Dominion of Canada, and the entire British Empire, there is no more promising project in the direction of railway building, at the present time, than that which has originated among our own people for a trans-continental road from the Atlantic to the Pacific, traversing the rich prairie lands of the North-west at a distance of three to six hundred miles north of the Canadian Pacific, and thus forming the shortest as well as the safest possible highway between east and west for the conveyance of both troops and breadstuffs.

The western terminus of the proposed railway is to be Port Simpson, on the Pacific coast, and the distance from Quebec to this port is 2,839 miles, against 3,078 miles by C. P. R. from Quebec to Vancouver, a saving in distance of no less than 238 miles. The distance from Chicoutimi to Port Simpson will be 370 miles shorter than the present line from Quebec to Vancouver, that from Chicoutimi to Winnipeg will be 280 miles shorter than from Quebec to Winnipeg via the C. P. R., while from Chicoutimi to Yokohama, as compared with the route from Quebec to Yokohama via the C. P. R., the saving will be 720 miles.

The saving in distance is by no means the only advantage possessed by the new route over all existing trans-continental lines. In the all-important matter of gradients it fairly distances all competitors. While the summit crossed by the Canadian Pacific railway in the Kicking Horse Pass has an elevation of 5,400 feet above the sea, while one of the American Pacific roads reaches an elevation of 11,000 feet, the summit of the Trans-Canada will be but 2,000 feet in the Peace River Pass, or 2,300 in the Pine River Pass. The summit between the St. Lawrence and James Bay is less than 1,200 feet, and the approaches to both summits are so gradual that there should be no difficulty in obtaining a maximum gradient of one per cent, from ocean to ocean, and probably the maximum of six-tenths of one per cent, which is now so eagerly sought for by American trunk lines.

Since travel invariably follows the shortest and easiest route, there is not the slightest doubt that when the Trans-Canada railway has been completed from Quebec to Port Simpson, the bulk of the through traffic from the Pacific must come to this port. This is not, however, the only advantage to be expected by Quebec from the completion of the proposed trans-continental road. It is destined to run for a large part of this route through perhaps the greatest expanse of wheat land in the world. Almost everybody now knows that recent explorations prove the soil in the James Bay territory to be equal in fertility to that of the St. Lawrence valley. The richness of the land in the immense Peace River valley is well known, and present information goes to show that the country between James Bay and Lake Winnipeg, and between Lake Winnipeg and Peace River is also excellent. So that it may be said that the whole country from the Saguenay to the Rockies is fit for settlement and for the raising of cereals, and could support a population of many millions, sufficient, in fact, if the zone between this line and the C. P. R. were settled to raise breadstuffs for the entire British Isles, and so to make them independent of all foreign countries.

The worst climate to be met with on the proposed line will be that of the country between Lake St. John and James Bay, and recent information goes to show that even this has been very much exaggerated and misrepresented. Observations taken at Moose Factory, on James Bay, prove that the average summer temperature during five years was somewhat higher than that of Chicago, and three degrees warmer than Rimouski, while the average snowfall was only half that of Montreal. So that from a climatic point of view everything which can be grown at Rimouski, Chicoutimi or Winnipeg, can be produced in the James Bay territory, the least favorable portion of the whole extent of the country to be traversed by the Trans-Canada railway.

In addition to the enormous output of grain which may reasonably be expected by the new line from the territory to be opened up by it, it must be understood that there will be a branch to Winnipeg, which will bring that city 102 miles nearer to Quebec than it is by the C. P. R., and give a mileage from Winnipeg to Chicoutimi of 1,284 miles, against 1,572 miles from Winnipeg to Quebec over the C. P. R. Thus it would offer the shortest route also for the shipment of grain from the province of Manitoba to the Atlantic seaboard at Quebec and Chicoutimi.

Moreover, the advantage of this connection to the farmers of Manitoba would be such as to create a perfect revolution in the values of land and crops in the prairie province. The saving in distance, the level character of the road and the consequent easy gradients, would, it is estimated, make it profitable to haul wheat to the seaboard at seven cents per bushel less than it now costs the farmer of Manitoba. This saving, even on the pre-

sent crop, would nearly pay the interest on the cost of the road. In fact, the Trans-Canada railway company is perfectly prepared to undertake to carry wheat from all points on its line in the province of Manitoba to the ocean steamer at Chicoutimi or Quebec for nine cents per bushel, thus saving the farmer of Manitoba about seven cents per bushel on present freight rates to the seaboard.

The mineral resources of the country through which the road will be constructed are enormous. The best of iron is found in the James Bay and country, together with lignite, coal and copper. The district north of Peace river abounds in petroleum, and the country between the Rockies and the Pacific coast in bituminous and anthracite coal, gold and copper, and a branch from this line would offer the shortest route on Canadian soil to the Yukon gold fields, should a railway ever be needed to that country. The James Bay district and the country east and west of Lake Winnipeg are timbered with the best of spruce and the rivers abound in water powers to convert this timber into pulp and paper.

The New Land Company

Mr. C. W. Speers, general colonization agent of the Dominion government, in reference to the million acre land deal in Saskatchewan and Assiniboia announced by the Free Press, that official said he considered the district most important and largest land transfer ever made in Canada. "I believe," said Mr. Speers, "that the American-Canadian company equals in fertility and possesses as good a soil as can be found in western Canada, being a rich black loam with clay sub-soil and free of all surface obstacles and being beautifully undulating. A magnificent fact to follow this purchase will be the rapid agricultural and probable industrial development of this district, as the country presents no drawbacks and surface indications go to show that it presents no obstacles to the operator. I have been connected with leading Americans since I undertook to interest them in this proposition and I look upon them as the strongest company financially that has made an advent into Canada. A practical move towards settling these lands with good farmers from across the border, who will be in a position to prove an acquisition to the commerce of the district, will commence at once."

"I may say that colonization up to the present has preceded the construction of railways and one of the difficulties of the department of the interior in the past has been to get homesteaded lands close to railways. A railway passes right through the centre of this beautiful stretch of country and we hope to be in a position to place hundreds of people on this land in proximity to a railway station and a good market which will be a great boon to our many homesteaders as a great deal of free homesteaded land is at present within the boundaries of the tract of country referred to."

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The West Will Help Sufferers

Almost unanimous approval was heard in Winnipeg of the proposed plan in the Free Press, that the west should show their sympathy and practical help with the victims of the terrible volcanic holocaust in the West by buying a train load of flour to the survivors many of whom are in the most desperate straits.

Many business men and merchants said that it would be advisable to act at once as from the reports it was evident that many white people, possibly Englishmen, were suffering and in want. "It would be a fine way of disposing of some of last year's surplus harvest," said another, and he added, with a smile, that it would be an encouragement to providence to treat the west well in the coming harvest, because the past one had been used well.

White Star Line Must

Sail under British Flag.

In the House of Commons the president of the board of trade, Gerald Balfour, informed a questioner that, after considering the agreement of February 4 between the Morgans and the White Star and Dominion lines, it has been concluded that the vessels concerned were not precluded from retaining their British registry.

The financial secretary of the admiralty, Mr. A. Macdonald, added the information that the agreement of the admiralty with the White Star line was about to be renewed with an additional provision as follows: "The company shall not, without the previous written consent of the admiralty, transfer to a foreign flag any vessels subjected to the agreement." This provision, the secretary added, had already been agreed to and an instalment of the subsidy, on the terms of the new agreement, had been paid. The admiralty had been advised by the law officers of the crown that there was nothing in the agreement of February 4, which would interfere with the admiralty's right to enforce the terms of the agreement with the White Star Line.

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